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DEDDINGTON NEWS

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COVER NOTE

"Dirty Drunken Deddington" the village was once called in a local rhyme, not surprisingly perhaps when one considers that in addition to its reputation as a brewing centre, Deddington had at least a dozen inns and coaching houses, taverns and beer shops selling the local malt liquors in the last century. Some are long since gone, others like the "Plough Inn" still served ale by the jug in the lifetime of many of our older residents. The Plough closed its doors in 1927 and was re-opened as a butchers and poulterers in 1931 by Eli Walker, father of Percy Walker of Hudson Street.

At one time beer barrels would have been rolled from New Street down into the stone vaulted cellar beneath the house. The fine groined arches on light columns date the cellar at least from the fifteenth century, but the crypt may have originated two centuries earlier as the chapel of the Black Ffryers Dominican order. Rumour had it that a walled up passage led from the cellar to the Church or the Castle, but the lie of the land makes this virtually impossible. Eli Walker had a go at uncovering the passage and it was left to Percy to brick it up again.

The cover picture kindly lent by Mr. Fred Deely was taken around 1900-1910 and the figure on the doorstep of the Plough was quite possibly Eliza Matthews, the landlady.

Among other taverns and beer houses which have disappeared over the years, presumably for reasons of economics, are the Three Horseshoes in New Street which became John Compton's fish and poultry shop; directly opposite was the Volunteer, closed in 1966 and now the Hotel Russell; the Ship in the Horsefair, still recognised by its stone mounting step; the Bishop's Arms in Goose Green (now the Mount) possibly had another beer shop below it; King Alfred Antiques in Chapel Square is remembered by many as Mr. Bert Weaver's grocery store - before that it was another beer house. Yet another was on the site of Tucker's Stores and even the Leadenporch House is reputed to have been in use as a beer shop in the 1830's. And the former Exhibition Inn in the Horsefair, distinguished by its fine 16th century stone arched doorway, was bought as a private house in 1901 by the father of Mr. Sid Canning of Philcote Street. (Sid, incidentally, remembers being taken to football matches as a boy in Harold Davis's horse and trap seen outside the Kings Arms on our March cover).

Of coaching inns, and brewing - more anon.

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Original contributions and comments on any topic of village interest are invited. Everything will be considered except libel, and while we make every effort to ensure accuracy in reporting, the Publishers do not necessarily agree with the opinions expressed.

MAY 1st - Keep this date free! The Jubilee Committee is organising a combined May Day celebration and fund-raising event. So come to the Market Place on May 1st and enjoy these entertainments:

1pm - 2pm: A dwyle-flunking contest (Never heard of it? It's a sight definitely not to be missed!)
2pm - 2.30pm: Traditional maypole dancing by pupils of the Primary School.
2.30pm: The Adderbury Morris Men followed by country dancing by pupils of the Primary School.

Refreshments will be available during the afternoon. This will be a colourful and entertaining spectacle for everyone. Please remember to bring some change with you to fill the Jubilee collecting tins which will certainly be rattled loudly during the proceedings.

Another way to combine pleasure with support for the Jubilee Fund is to visit one or all of our excellent Public Houses any time over the next two months.

Fred and Val Ellis at The Unicorn will be pleased to receive contributions to their pile of pennies.

Fred and Edna England at The Crown and Tuns are planning a sponsored darts match in aid of the Jubilee Fund. Details in the next issue.

Visit The Red Lion to add your change to the rapidly growing pile of pennies on the counter. Gordon and Rita Coop are also planning a girls versus boys football match to be held on the Castle Grounds. The girls will be conventionally shod in football boots while the boys will be slightly hampered by their wellington boots! More details in the next issue.

Allen and Margaret Gilbert at The Kings Arms are still taking names for their Pub Superstars competition, but hurry, the entry list is closing soon. The entry fee is 25p. Ladies are welcome to enter too - keep Margaret company! The competition is based on the T.V. series. It is a "Pubtathlon" with 5 pub sports to enter - darts, Aunt Sally, bar billiards, Air Rifle shooting and penalty shooting. The Kings Arms final is on 28th May and the winner will receive a special trophy. An inter-pub Superstar Grand Final will be held on 18th June when a cup will be presented to the overall winner.

Roger Croft at The Duke of Cumberland's Head, Clifton, has entered a team in the national 7-a-side Ross Cricket Championship. Any proceeds will go to the Jubilee Fund. Good luck! I wonder if we'll be organising coaches to support the team for the final at The Oval!

(Please don't forget to get in touch with Mr. Garrett if you wish to enter the Carnival or the Carnival Queen competition. He has received many entries already, but there's still time to join in.)

Monica Sansome

BRITISH LEGION

The Deddington Royal British Legion Club Ltd would like to thank all the trades people and residents who gave prizes for the four Bingo sessions which were completed on 22 March. A total profit of £66.25 was made, and has been handed over to the Jubilee Committee Treasurer.

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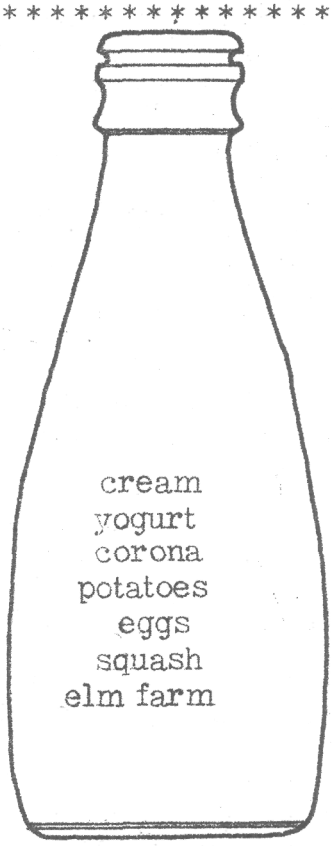

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April 30th: Rally at 7 pm Speaker Mr. Chris Justice.

Doris Walker, Hon. Secretary

DEDDINGTON ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE

As you may know the Centre has for the past two terms run a very successful daytime pottery class, together with a creche for small children. We are now very interested in extending the daytime use of the Centre, particularly with self-supporting groups.

We have already come up with some ideas, such old people's Keep Fit, with talks on various subjects, young people's sport and/or first aid, and a mothers and toddlers group and/or young wives. If anyone is interested in any of these or if you have any ideas of your own, we would be very glad to hear from you.

Bearing in mind the facilities are there and are only used for part of the day by Warriner School, it would seem a pity to waste them. Please phone Kate Shilvock on Steeple Aston 47458 or Jill Cheeseman on Deddington 609.

DEDDINGTON LADIES

Our March "Fashion-Show-with-a-difference" proved to be far more successful than we dared hope - raising almost £40. The Holly Tree Club Hall was packed to capacity - members and non-members all going home afterwards having spent a very pleasant evening and clutching some marvellous bargains.

We meet again on April 6th at 8 pm when the evening will begin in a very light-hearted way with a beetle drive, followed by a 'warehouse' party. Various goods will be available - many at last year's prices - including clothes (especially children's) household items and fancy goods.

When we meet the following month, on Wednesday, 4th May 8 pm our theme will be rather more serious, when our speaker will be a Probation Officer from Banbury.

Maggie Rampley, Secretary

1st DEDDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

We would like to thank everyone for supporting the Jumble Sale and a Big thank you to those who gave cash donations. Many thanks also to the parents who prepared and ran the Sale for us.

On Monday 28th February, a talk plus slides on British Birds was given by Mr. Clist, a very interesting and enjoyable Pack Meeting.

AWARDS: C. Carvell, J. Maingot and C. Smith were invested on March 21st. M. Scarr and A. Munson were awarded the Scientist Badge.

The Red Lion Six were the top with points again in February. Each cub in this Six has been presented with a book, 'The Dictionary of Knots'. Well done Red Six.

Our Football team, coached and organised by Mr. Stratford, are still top of the Banbury District League. Well Done!!

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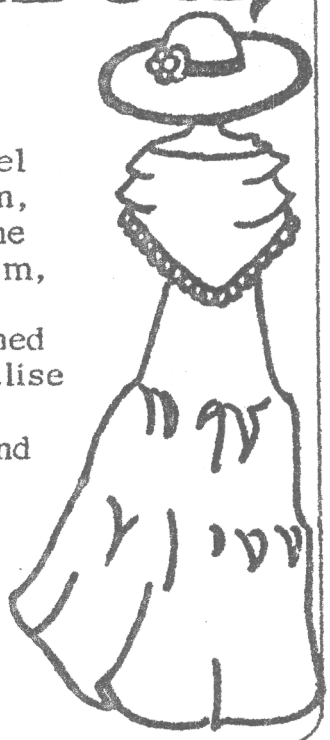

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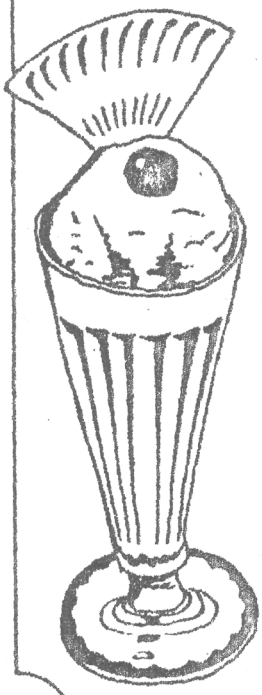

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We have received a letter from the Lords of Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council dated the 4th day of March 1977 at the Council Chamber Whitehall, which reads:- "It is this day ordered by their Lordships that His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, in consultation with representatives of other Churches, do prepare a Special Form of Prayer and of Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the protection afforded to the Queen's Majesty during the twenty-five years of Her auspicious reign, and that such Form of Prayer and of Thanksgiving be used in all Churches and Chapels in England upon Sunday, the fifth day of June next."

The Service and an Invitation

We have received a copy of the "Form of Prayer and of Thanksgiving to Almighty God on the Occasion of The Silver Jubilee of the Accession of Our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth the Second' published with the approval of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster and the Moderator of the Free Church Federal Council. Y ou are all invited to take part in the special service on Sunday the 5th June at 11.0 a.m., and for this we have ordered sufficient copies for everyone to use and to take away as a souvenir of the occasion. If any organisation wishes to attend as a body with their standards etc. would you let me know with a rough estimate of the number, so that places in Church can be reserved for you.

Holy Week and Easter Services

April 3rd Palm Sunday
10.30 Family Communion and Confirmation by the Bishop of Oxford followed by coffee in the conference corner of our Church

April 6th
2.30 School Service in Church to which parents and friends are invited

April 7th Maundy Thursday 8.0 p.m. Holy Communion
This is the day when we remember the Last Supper

April 8th Good Friday
11.0 Special service for Children and Parents. It is our custom to give the children Hot Cross Buns at the service
2.0 The Holy Hour. A devotional service with readings, hymns and a talk.

Easter Day
8.0 Holy Communion in the Parish Church
9.0 Holy Communion at St. John's Hempton
10.30 Family Communion in the Parish Church
6.30 Evensong (said) in the Parish Church.

Mothering Sunday

Although our Church is large, the Nave was not designed for everyone, being seated, to be able to see the platform in front of the screen. In the thirteenth century everyone stood, and so they could group themselves to get a better view. So I was sorry that, because of the large number at the Mothering Sunday Service, some of the Guides and Brownies had to sit at the side. However it was at this side that one of the young ladies - too young even to be a Brownie - allowed me to borrow her woolly lamb which was so useful in the service. Thank you! Thank you, all of you, who made posies, we had enough and to spare for all the Mothers in Church and for all the ladies too, the Guides giving them out.

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES: MEETING OF 23 MARCH 1977

1. A letter has been received from Mrs. P. Lightbody of 32, The Daedings, expressing concern over Deddington's worsening rubbish situation, and questioning whether there are enough litter bins in the village, apart from outside the shops. Mrs. Lightbody has offered to organise funds to help provide bins and pay for emptying them if the Parish Council will meet the cost half way. She thinks it unsuitable for the Brownies to undertake litter collections which they are planning as part of their Jubilee contribution. Mrs. Bouverie, who had been sent an extract from the letter, commented that she has had no objections from parents and the collections, started the previous Saturday, are to continue. Councillors were unanimous in their praise for the Brownies who did a fine job in the pouring rain.

   A letter of reply is to be sent to Mrs. Lightbody, pointing out that the Council has spent £100 in providing bins, some of which have been removed or destroyed by vandals, and asking what is proposed in the way of fund raising.

2. Mr. Michael O'Neill and Mr. Rodney Hayward have resigned as the Parish Council representatives on Deddington Adult Education Centre Committee (formerly Deddington Hall Management Committee). Mr. Norman Drake has agreed to fill one position and one vacancy remains. Mr. Drake was also nominated for election to the Executive Committee of the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils.

3. The Deddington Royal British Legion Club Ltd. application under the Physical Training and Recreation Act 1937 for grant aid towards financing the new extension to their premises: the Club Secretary has supplied details of the bank and brewery loans, the nature of security required and the uses to which the new clubroom will be put. Letters of objection from residents in The Tchure and High Street were read out, protesting that the scheme would mean increased disturbance from noise overspill, car parking and numbers of people using The Tchure to approach the Club. The Clerk pointed out that the land on which the extension is proposed belongs not to the Deddington Royal British Legion Club Ltd., but to the Royal British Legion Branch, as long as that Branch exists. Club and Branch are separate entities, and the Branch Trustees can neither lease the land to the Club, nor mortgage it themselves. As the Club does not own the land therefore they cannot deposit the deeds as loan security as they will be required to do by the brewery or bank. Nor, under the terms of the planning permission already granted, can the premises be hired out, so that this income could not be relied upon in paying off the loans. The Council felt that the British Legion Club is attempting the impossible in planning to build on land they do not own, and the application for grant aid was rejected.

Mary Robinson

1st DEDDINGTON GUIDES

This month we had a visit from Mr. Clement of Pedlar's Basket in Banbury, who showed us all how to do macrame. This was a very enjoyable evening, high-lighted by the revelation of how easy it all was! Soon we were all producing hanging basket-holders, and the best pair of Guides were given a free pot to put in it by Mr. Clement.

We took our Aynho Guides to Newbottle Woods to get our primroses for the Mothering Sunday service in Church. Sadly the sunny weather of the Saturday morning did not last for our afternoon visit helping the Brownies with their clear up - never mind, we all kept smiling (I think!)

Jenny Jones

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FOOTPATHS PROJECT TIED UP WITH RED TAPE

Last year the Parish Council formed a sub-committee to rationalise the parish footpaths and to produce a system of good country walks which would be compatible with the efficiency of local farming. These footpaths originated in the days when country people walked often considerable distances to and from work, but through lack of use many have now deteriorated to a chaotic state. At a time when "crusading" amenity groups were seeking to enforce their right of access, the sub-committee was set up to bring the public and farming interests together in a spirit of conciliation.

At its first meeting a letter was drafted to farmers and landowners asking for suggestions, and a number of replies were received. My own enquiries at the Cherwell District Council offices produced a letter from the Legal Department setting out the requirements for closure or re-routing of a path, together with a supply of relevant forms. What is required of us is that each and every application must be accompanied by no less than 22 copies of a map to a scale of 24 inches to the mile! This, by its vastness precludes the type of en bloc application originally envisaged. It was therefore decided that individual landowners would have to pursue their own applications.

The question of whether the committee should act as consultant co-ordinator and adviser was considered. The advice of our Clerk, whose legal experience we must acknowledge, was that the Council should not become involved. Should conflicts occur between the public or amenity groups and farmers, then it should be left to the individual parties to solve, if necessary through the Courts, resulting perhaps in a test case somewhere or other. (This was acknowledged to be more than a local problem). Replies are being sent to those who wrote, regretting that the original project has had to be abandoned and giving the reasons.

Regarding the signposting of footpaths, it was thought that genuine walkers would have the appropriate Ordnance Survey map and therefore signposting was an unnecessary task.

The committee feels that its usefulness is now at an end and is asking to be disbanded. Personally, I regret the collapse of the project and feel that once again the wishes of a Parish Council have been frustrated by unnecessary bureaucratic requirements.

R. M. Riley

DEDDINGTON P. T. A.

Firstly in order to clarify any misunderstanding caused by a Banbury Guardian report some weeks ago, the children in the parish will be presented with a mug as a memento of the Queen's Silver Jubilee. The P.T.A. considered buying their own memento to present to the school children. However it was decided it would be more appropriate to donate £30 to the Jubilee Fund instead, so that all the children will receive the same thing.

The Inter-Schools Parents' Quiz held on Tuesday 22 March, between ourselves, Middle Barton and Adderbury, was a very successful evening with nearly 100 people attending. Deddington had the grace to lose by 3 points to Adderbury, and I hope members of all three teams have recovered from their ordeal.

Another Junior Disco has been arranged for the primary school children only. This is to be on Wednesday, the 20 April from 7-9 pm, dancing to Top Sound. There will be a 20p entrance charge, and Cokes and crisps will again be available. Plimsolls must be worn. A note will be sent out from school before the end of term, but please make a note of the date now as it is during the school holidays and we'd hate the children to miss it!

Jill Cheeseman, Secretary

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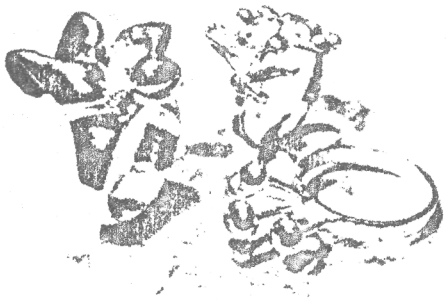

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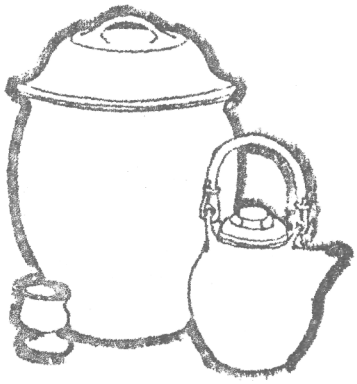

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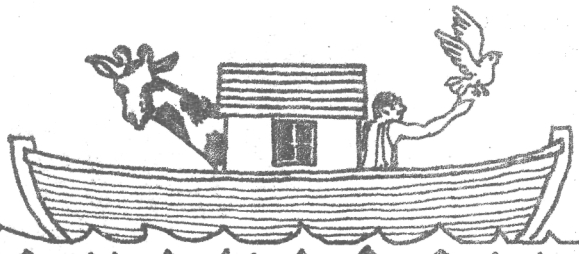

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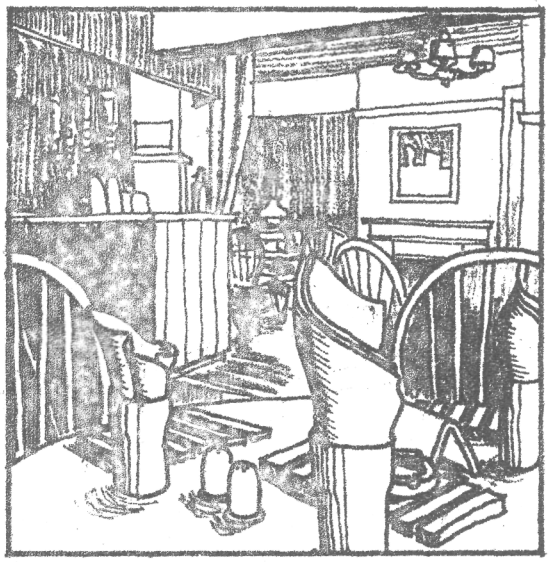

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We had a good number of members at our A.G.M. this month and appreciation was expressed to all members of the Committee for their loyalty and hard work during the past year. Mrs. Freda Ivings especially should be singled out for the sterling work she has put in as Secretary. She has decided not to stand again.

The following ladies were elected for the year commencing April 1977:
Mrs. B. Caporn - President Mrs. F. Powell - Vice President
Mrs. P. Jones - Secretary Mrs. M. Plumbe - Treasurer
with the rest of the work load to be shared by Mrs. A. Bowen, Mrs. Edith Garrett, Mrs. E. Hughes, Mrs. D. Kingsland, Mrs. Y. Riley and Mrs. D. Shrewsbury.

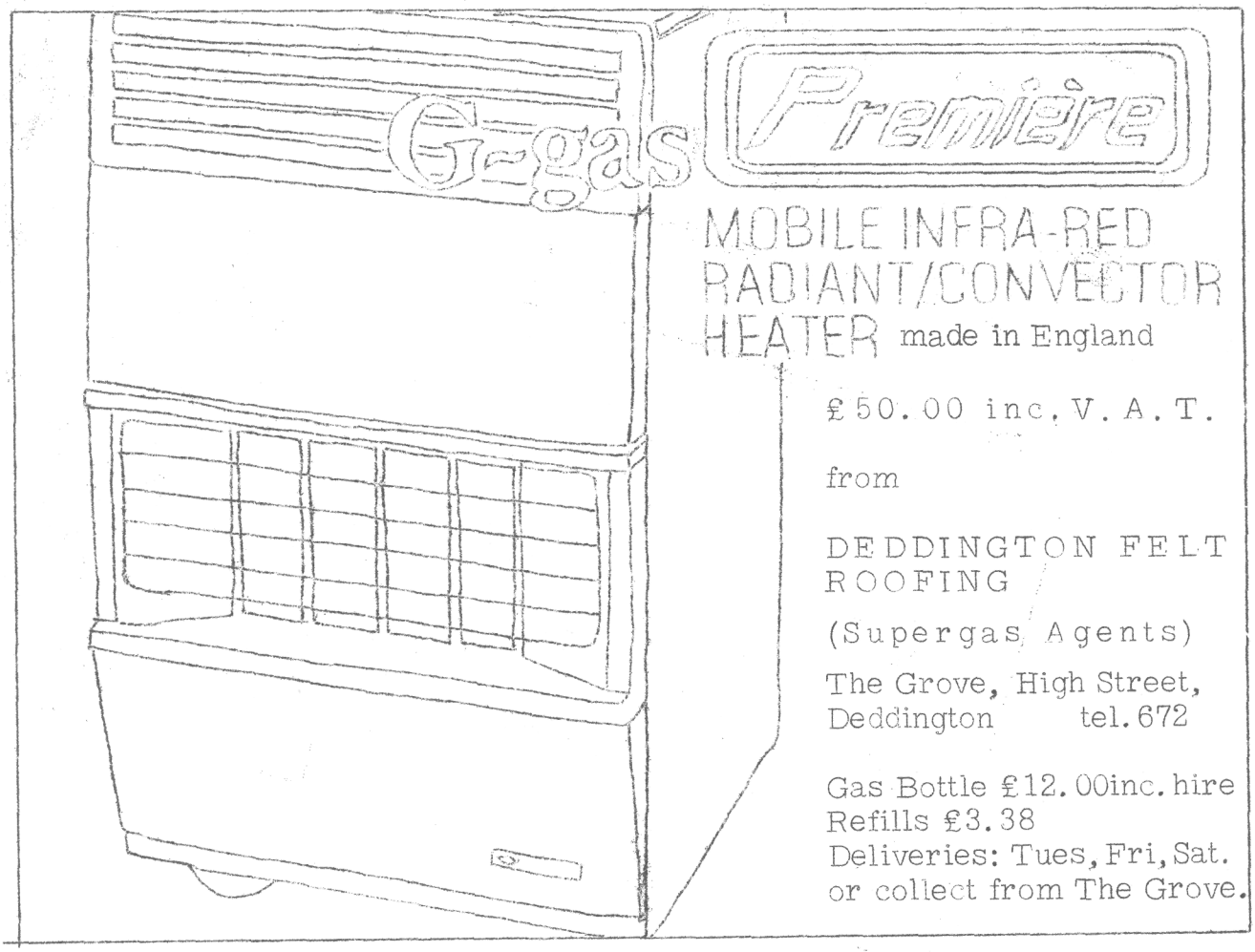
The Competition winner for the year was Mrs. P. Jones and she was presented with a gift token.

Discussion followed regarding the float to be entered for the Silver Jubilee celebrations and a Coffee Evening and Bring & Buy was arranged for Friday, 29th April at Mrs. Jones' house from 7.30 to 9.0 p.m. to which everyone is welcome.

We have finished our games in the Darts Tournament and although we have not won many matches it has been enjoyable going to some of the more outlying villages.

The Speaker at our next meeting to be held on April 12th will be Mr. Andrew McGregor of "Radio Oxford" and he has kindly offered to show a party of us round the B.B.C. Studios the following week.

Betty Caporn



DEDDINGTON BROWNIES

We would like to thank the Guides and Guiders who helped the Brownies to pick up litter in and around the Market Place on Saturday 19th March. Once again it poured with rain! We are now doing this regularly on Tuesdays from 5 - 5.30 before our weekly meeting and we shall be continuing during the school holidays. It would be very much appreciated if parents could help the Brownies to remember and to turn up on time on Tuesdays for the litter pick-up.

Sixteen out of 23 Brownies went to Church on Mothering Sunday - well done everybody who helped on Saturday as well. Our last meeting is on 5th April, and we start again for the summer term on April 26th. The Pack will be going to the St. George's Day parade in Banbury on April 24th, and I expect there will be a coach from Deddington like last year.

Vivien Pleydell-Bouverie

CLIFTON NEWS

Golden Wedding Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. H. F. French who on January 1st celebrated their Golden Wedding.

Frank Crofts

SNOOKER: BANBURY & DISTRICT K.O. CUP

Benny Veriato of General Foods Social Club beat Arthur Lewis of the Deddington Royal British Legion Club 3 frames to 1 in the Semi-Final at the Banbury Fire Service Social Club on Monday 22nd March.

Arthur Lewis

HEMPTON NEWS

Hempton - like everyone else it seems - is planning to provide an entry for the Jubilee procession, and a Committee to plan, design, commission and execute a float has itself been floated. We await the outcome with a suitable thrill of patriotic anticipation.

Having already donated the profits to the Jubilee Celebration funds - now there's an act of Great British faith for you! - the Residents' Association is girding up its loins in preparation for a record breaking Jubilee edition of the Annual Jumble Sale this Spring. Following the success of this innovation last year, this famous event will take place on Saturday 30th April. A produce stall, with cakes, tins, jams, etc. is planned, in addition to the usual high class of jumble.

John Webber

DIARY OF EVENTS

April	6	- Primary School Church Service
	6	- Deddington Ladies Beetle Drive and Warehouse Party
	11-16	- Scouts Job Week
	12	- W. I. Meeting: Andrew McGregor speaking
	15	- Janet Baker Concert: Deddington Church
	20	- P.T.A. Junior Disco
	24	- Brownies St. George's Day Parade, Banbury
	27	- Parish Council meeting
	29	- W. I. Coffee Evening and Bring & Buy
	30	- Hempton Residents' Association Jumble Sale
May	4	- Deddington Ladies meeting: Probation Officer speaking
	5	- Playgroup 'Knit-In'

PLAYGROUP COMMITTEE MEETING

A Committee meeting of Deddington Playgroup was held at the Playgroup Hut on March 17th. The matter of a donation to Jubilee Committee was discussed and it was decided to hold a 'Knit-in' to raise funds and that 50% of the proceeds would be given to the Jubilee.

Mums and anyone else willing, will be asked to take part on Thursday, May 5th at 8.00 p.m. at the Playgroup Hut, and sponsor forms are now available from there. A small prize will be given to the person producing the largest piece of knitting during the evening. Knitted pieces will be donated to the Brownies "blankets for the Elderly".

It was also suggested that the Playgroup hold a Fancy Dress Competition for all children up to the age of 7 years. This idea has now been put to the Jubilee Committee for their agreement.

The next meeting, to finalise Jubilee arrangements, will be held in the Playgroup Hut on 26th May at 8.00 p.m.

Kath Morris, Secretary

JUBILEE CARNIVAL

Anyone who would like to join in the Pageant on June 7th and is not sure how to dress up, would be very welcome to join the group coming as 13th Century "Deddingtonians" who lived in and around the Castle at that time. For any further information on this please ring: Mrs. Ware, Deddington 340 (Ivy House, Market Square)
For those who have no idea what was worn at that time, think of Robin Hood and Maid Marian! Here are simplified sketches which might be of help:

HEMPTON NEWS

Since the last edition of Deddington News most of the activities in Hempton have been Christmas ones. Just before Christmas a group of adults and children went round carol singing to give presents to the older residents. One senior citizen said the singing was better than last year and in true Christmas spirit we took this as a compliment!

Father Christmas' special love for Hempton was seen again this year. After all his exertions of the night, he made a second call with presents for the children on Christmas morning. This year Mr. Hall and Mr. Webber gave up time to drive his trailor round to all the houses where Father Christmas had been informed there were children at home.

After a Christmas morning service in the Church we are grateful to the vicar for conducting a carol service the next day. Thanks are chiefly due to Mrs. Caporn for arranging the service again and coaching the ten or so children who read so excellently at the service. Mrs. Thomas' flower arrangements were much appreciated, but it seems most appropriate at this time to thank Miss White. She not only prepared the Church for the carol service, which was packed, but she prepares it fortnight by fortnight throughout the year for the smaller number who go to Communion at the Hempton Church. I know that many people would like her to be publicly thanked for what she has and is doing.

C. R. M. Isaac

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A warm welcome is expressed to all the ladies of Deddington to the "Women's World Day of Prayer", which is to be held this year in the Wesleyan Reform Church, Chapel Square, Deddington, at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 4th March 1977, speaker Mrs. North.

Women's World Day of Prayer Committee

THANKS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mrs. Pat Jones and Mrs. Freda Powell wish to thank everyone who helped with their coffee evening on Friday 21st January which was highly successful. £50 were raised towards the Jubilee celebrations.

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Thank you on behalf of the community to Mrs. Lewis of The Daedings who, since our comments on the litter problem, has been picking up litter around the village.

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Thank you to all those who have lent us old photographs of Deddington to copy. We are getting together a fascinating collection and hope to show them in the Church Jubilee exhibition. Meanwhile any other pictures you can dig out of drawers and lofts would be much appreciated.

Mary and Colin Robinson, Quinque House, New Street.

DIARY OF EVENTS

February	5:	Jubilee Mile of Pennies, Market Place
	8:	W. I. meeting
	11:	Scouts Dance
	15:	Guides Open Evening
	23:	Parish Council meeting
	23:	Congregational Church Film
	25:	Chamber of Trade meeting
March	2:	Deddington Ladies meeting
	4:	Women's World Day of Prayer
July	9:	School P.T.A. Fete

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